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Applicants:

K. KITAMURA et al.

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METHOD AND DATA PROCESSING SYSTEM WITH DATA

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Group:

2162

Examiner:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 November 21, 2006

Sir:

Before further examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks are included following the amendments